The Caledonian Mercury.

Edinburgh, Monday, June 19, 1727.

From the St. James's Evening-Post, June 10.

Continuation of the Journal of the Siege of Gibraltar, from the Camp before that Place May 17.

ON the 8th of this Month the Engineer Don Bartholomew de Mendoſa cauſed the Work of the Sap to be continued, which had been begun the Night before near the Battery of St. Barbara, commanded by D. Michal de Tortoſa. The Troops of the Trenches were employed to repair their advanced Poſts, which had been deſtroyed by the Cannon of the Place. This Day the Batteries of the Beſiegers made a continual Fire, and ſome of their Pieces of Cannon fired 86 Times in the 24 Hours. 7 Men were killed and 29 wounded.

The 9th 350 Workmen, commanded by D. John Bernard Proſne, chief Engineer, were employed on the Works of the two preceeding Nights; the Batteries of the Beſiegers fired with good Succeſs againſt the old Mole, the Fort of Queen Anne, and the Defences of the Land Gate. This Day 3 Men were killed and 13 wounded.

The 10th the laſt-mentioned Works were perfected: The beſieged fired only from 11 Pieces of Cannon; but one of their Bombs having ſet Fire to four Barrels of Gun-Powder, the Flames caught the Faſcines, the Platforms, and the Lining of the Battery of Don Francis Balbazor. A Grenadier of the Regiment of Granada ran thither, and was followed by ſeveral other Soldiers, who extinguiſhed the Fire before it had done any very conſiderable Damage. In this Place ten Men were dangerouſly wounded, ſix were killed and 13 wounded in the Trenches. To Day the Fire of the Beſiegers is begun with much Briſkneſs, and 'tis believed they have diſmounted two Pieces of the Cannon of the Town. Five Algerine Veſſels paſt the Streights laſt Night, together with three large Gallions on the Weſtern Side, and are come to an Anchor over againſt the Old Mole. We have received Advice that the Marquis de Caylus, who commands in Galicia, has Orders to ſend away ten Battallions to reinforce the Camp of St. Rochе. A Catalonian Privateer took ſome Days ago a ſmall Engliſh Veſſel laden with Salt Fiſh.

The 12th of this Month 300 Workmen were employ'd to perfect the Works of the preceeding Days, and 400 to repair the Batteries: The Fire of the Beſiegers, which continued very violent, totally ruined all they could ſee of the Old Mole. This Day there was no more than two Pieces of Cannon on the Fort of Queen Anne: The Fire from the other Defences of the Place killed 6 Soldiers and wounded ſixteen.

The 13th ten were killed and 23 wounded.

The 14th we were obliged to raiſe the Reverſes of ſome Lines of Communication, and to line two Batteries: This Day ſeven Men were killed and 13 wounded, of the Number of which laſt was the Duke of Wharton, Aide de Camp to the Count de las Torres, and Don John de Mariſi, Sub-Lieutenant in the Regiment of Walloon Guards.

The 15th we deepned the Line of Communication from the Battery of St. Barbara, where the Soldiers were ſo much expoſed, and we ſtrengthned with Gabions the advanced Poſts: The Batteries made a very briſk Fire. We had three Men killed and 19 wounded.

Yeſterday and To-day we have been obliged to ſlacken the Fire from the Batteries, and to draw from thence ſome Pieces of Cannon that had been render'd unſerviceable by too frequent Firing, and to place others in their Room: This Day we had 8 Soldiers killed and 19 wounded. The Fire from the Town has been very briſk this Day, which makes us believe that the Beſieged have reinforced their Artillery with ſome of that of the Veſſels of their Squadron. We have received Advice from Cadix, that there was actually in the Bay of that City 12 Spaniſh Men of War, ſeven of which are between 50 and 60 Guns, and the other five carry from 30 to 36 Guns. Theſe Letters add, that they expected beſides, 8 more from the Ports of Biſcay. Within ten Days paſt the Spaniſh Privateers have taken five Engliſh Merchantmen.

London, June 10. Yeſterday a young Gentlewoman of about 18 Years of Age, leap'd into the Ca-

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nal in St. James's Park, with Deſign to have drowned herſelf, but a Grenadier running immediately to the Water, took her up: 'Tis ſaid the Occaſion was LOVE.

New York, April 10. We have an Account from St. Chriſtophers, That the Spaniards have lately taken five Sloops belonging to that Iſland, and one belonging to New York, alſo one belonging to Amboy. On the 7th Inſt. Capt. Guttrige arrived here in 26 Days from Nevis, with Advice that a large Ship laden with Indigo, Cocoa, &c. bound from the Havana to Old Spain, was drove aſhore on the Iſland of Bermudas, where the Governour took her into Poſſeſſion, and ſent a Flag of Truce into St. Domingo, to acquaint the Governour of that Place, that he would keep that Ship and Cargo till they had releaſed the Veſſels lately taken by them at Santa Cruz: 'Tis ſaid this Ship hath 300 Peaces of Eight on board.

From Miſt's Weekly Journal, June 10.

From Bruſſels we learn, that as ſoon as the Courier, diſpatched by the Marquis de Fonſeca to Bruſſels, arrived there, with the News of Preliminaries towards a Peace being agreed to, an extraordinary Council was called, and as the Rumours of Peace ſoon ſpread abroad, People flock'd to Court to know the Particulars, eſpecially Perſons intereſted in the Oſtend Eaſt India Company; what Encouragements were given them is hard to ſay; but they returned very well ſatisfied, and the Actions of the ſaid Company roſe very ſoon after.

Our Advices from the North confirm the Death of the Czarina, &c. And a Conſpiracy having been diſcovered for dethroning her Czariſh Majeſty a little before her Deceaſe, the firſt Act of Juſtice done by the young Monarch, was to condemn all the Conſpirators to Baniſhment in Siberia, ſome of whom are of a high Rank, notwithſtanding that the ſaid Conſpiracy was formed upon the Pretence of ſecuring his Right and Title to the Dominions of his Anceſtors.

London, June 10. Tueſday Night there was a great Uproar at the Opera Houſe; and a new great Quarrel being ariſen between the Allies of Cutzoni and Fauſtina; we hope for the Good of the Nation, it will be ſoon amicably compoſed, or at leaſt a Ceſſation agreed on for ſeven Months.

The ancient Imperial Crown of this Kingdom being now grown out of Faſhion, it is ſaid Orders are given at the Jewel Office for making it up after the neweſt Mode; which being done, no Body can ſay, we have an old Crown and a new Conſtitution.

From the Daily Journal, June 9.

Paris, June 14. There will be no Reform of the Troops till after the Opening of the Congreſs.

The Militia which were in Garriſon in the Frontier Places, are ſent home.

Aranjuez, May 26. The 21ſt the Valet de Chambre of the Duke de Bournonville was diſpatched to the Pope's Nuncio at Paris, with the King's Anſwer to the eight Preliminary Articles propoſed by the Allies of Hanover, and a Report runs, That by the ſaid Anſwer his Majeſty agrees to what the Emperor ſhall think convenient to be done on this Subject.

London, June 10. We hear the following are to be created Peers of Great Britain, viz. Sir Robert Sutton, Sir Thomas Watſon Wentworth, Sir John Hobert, Sir Thomas C ke, and Sir William Morgan of Tredegar, all Knights of the Bath.

There is Advice, That as the George Sloop was laying on the Coaſt of Guinea, eight Slaves that they had on board, mutiny'd, kill'd the Captain, and all the Men except the Mate and two more, and made their Eſcape on Shore.

From the Whitehall Evening poſt, June 10.

Reading, June 5. Yeſterday a Whirlwind took up into the Air near 100 Yards from the Ground, 4 Haycocks in a Field near this Town, each weighing above 100 Pounds, and carryed them to another Place half a Mile off.

London, June 10. Yeſterday their Excellencies the Lords Juſtices met at the Cock Pitt at Whitehall, and appointed Charles de la Faye Eſq; to be their Secretary, and ſettled their Days of ſitting.

From the Amſterdam Gazette, June 17.

The Field Marſhal Count de Fleming, is gone from Dreſden for Berlin, charg'd with an important Commiſſion. 'Tis ſaid the two Courts are upon the point of accommodating all Differences amicably. They talk at Vienna, of ſome Overtures in favour of the Electoral Prince of Saxony.

Wye's Letter verbatim, London, June 13.

Since our laſt arrived a Mail from Holland.

THE Advices by which make no Mention of the King of Spain having ſigned the preliminary Articles for a general Peace, but the next Letters

ters from Madrid may probably give us the good News thereof; those by this Mail being only of the 3d Inſt. N. S. 'Tis aſſured his Catholick Majeſty has ſent the Emperor, in part of the promiſed Subſidies, 25000 Piſtoles in ready Money, and 500,000 Pieces of Eight in Bills of Exchange.

The Accounts concerning the Siege of Gibraltar ſtill vary very much: Some ſay the Spaniards have taken a very advantageous Poſt; That the continual Fire they had made againſt the Town, had had no other Effect then to burſt ſome of their Cannon, and enlarge the Touch-holes of others to ſuch a Degree, as had made them entirely uſeleſs. The News likewiſe concerning the Mines is various: By ſome Letters 'tis ſaid, That the Spaniſh General was reſolved to ſpring it at all Events; by others, That they had left off working at it, and that the Siege was turn'd into a Blockade; the Spaniards having no more left than 6 Piece of Cannon fit for Service.

Iſaac le Heup, Eſq; is ſent to the Court of Sweden, where he is to relieve Stephen Pointz, while he attends the Congreſs at Aix la Chapelle.

The Letters from Stockholm remark, That the News of the Death of the Empreſs of Ruſſia, had occaſion'd a great Stir among ſome of the Foreign Miniſters and others who are in the Intereſt of the Duke of Holſtein, whoſe Party daily encreaſes. Mean Time 'tis ſaid his Swediſh Majeſty continues fixed in his Reſolution to join his Squadron with that of Great Britain, as ſoon as it ſhall arrive in the Baltick.

On Sunday Night died at Richmond in an advanced Age, the Honourable and Reverend Mr. Hill, formerly Envoy at ſeveral Courts abroad.

The Lord Mayor and Aldermen have under Conſideration the Affair of the Eſcape of Fiſher and Johnſon.

Yeſterday Major Onby was carried from Newgate to the King's Bench Bar, where the Lord Chief Juſtice Raymond acquainted him, That his Lordſhip and the reſt of his Brethren were of Opinion, that he was guilty of wilfull Murder. The Major ſaid, That as he had ſerved the Nation in the Wars, had received ſeveral Wounds, and ſuffered ſuch a tedious Confinement, he hoped he'd become an Object of his Majeſty's Mercy. To which his Lordſhip anſwered, that he muſt apply to another Place for that. The Major (who is laid in very heavy Irons,) deſpairing of Mercy, has ordered his Body to be bury'd near his *Dear Friend* (as he calls him) for whoſe Murder he is condemn'd.

From Worceſter we are adviſed, That on the 11th Inſt. Sir Thomas Littleton was re-elected Kt. of the Shire for that County, and gave a ſplendid Entertainment to the Freeholders who met him at the Town-hall. The Jerſey-Combers, with a Perſon repreſenting Biſhop Blaze, with Shearers and Muſick, preceeded the Proceſſion to the Caſtle; the Splendor whereof was eclipſed by a fine Shower of Rain.

A certain Dean, aged upwards of 70, is ſuſpended by the Biſhop of his Dioceſe, on account of his not having proved his Ordination; which he ſays was from one of the depriv'd Biſhops, and loſt in a Storm at Sea.

'Tis very ſurpriſing to think, That this Affair ſhould have been ſo long concealed, and not have been enquir'd into by ſome of the worthy Prelates his Predeceſſors.

'Tis ſaid that the King of Pruſſia, when he had Advice of the ſigning of the Preliminary Articles, declared, That this Reſolution of the Emperor's would give to all Europe a laſting Tranquillity. 'Tis ſaid the Palatine is reſolved never to yield the Dutchy of Berghen to the K. of Pruſſia.

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From the Evening Poſt, June 13.

Rome, May 31. Here arrived lately from Bologna, the Daughter and Son of Madam Medal, another calls her the Lady Niſdel, Governeſs of the Sons of the Chevalier de St. George, 'tis ſaid the former is to go into the Service of the Princeſs Sobieski, in the Room of Madam Fedeſchy, who is upon her Departure for England; this Alteration is look'd upon as a certain Sign of Reconciliation between the ſaid Chevalier and his Conſort.

Hamburg, June 17. Letters from Petersburg ſay, that the young Emperor had of himſelf without any Advice, ſent two Noblemen to Schuſſelburg, to fetch the abdicated Czarina his Grandmother out of her Confinement, having already, ſome Days before granted Leave to Count Apraxin her Brother, to have Acceſs to her.

Madrid, June 2. A Spaniſh Man of War has taken and ſent into the Groin, a ſmall Engliſh Veſſel, bound with Proviſions for Gibraltar.

From the Whitehall Evening-Post, June 13.

Hague, June 10. N. S. Letters from Petersburg confirm the Opinion of the Publick, that the late Czarina's Days were shortned by her Enemies; but they do not mention after what Manner; only that that Princess from the Time of her last Sickness, to the Moment she died, declared she was poisoned; and some People of her Kitchen, and two or 3 other Persons were seized upon Suspicion.

From the London Gazzette, June 13.

Paris, June 17 Six Battalions that were embarked at Barcelona, are said to be arrived at Malaga; and with some Horse, to be marching towards the Camp.

Hague, June 20. The King of G. Britain having pass'd up the Maes to Vaert, landed the 18th at Night and lay there. Yesterday Morning his Majesty proceeded from thence on his Journey to Hanover; Detachments of Guards being ordered by the States General to attend his Majesty thro' the Territories of this Republick.

Edinburgh, June 19. Yesternight a little before Six, an Express arrived here, directed to the Honourable Charles Areskine Esq; his Majesty's Solicitor, with an Account, That his Majesty departed this Life on his Way to Hanover. And early this Morning a Theatre was erected at the Cross; about 10 the Train'd Bands are to march out to Bruntsfield Links, and to march in in Battallia at Noon; when the Prince of Wales is to be Proclaimed King of Great Britain, by the Name and Title of GEORGE II. &c.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

¶ That there is to be exposed to Sale, by public Roup upon the Twenty-eighth Day of June current, in the House of James Fullarton, Vintner in Edinburgh, betwixt 4 & 5 in the Afternoon, a LODGING in the Back-Land of the Writers Court, first Door below the Signet-Office; consisting of five Fire-rooms, Kitchen, Garret, Cellar, and other Conveniencies mostly well finished. The Rental, Conditions of Roup, and Progress of Writs, may be seen in the Hands of Archbald Tod Writer in Edinburgh, at his Writing-chamber entring from the Parliament-Close, near the new Insurance-office.

'Tis to be set up at Ten Years Purchase, altho' Insured, and the Insurance Premium paid; so that the Purchaser is free of its Payment, and entitled to its Benefit.

†*† There is to be run for on the Muir of Hawick, upon Wednesday the 15th of July next, a PLATE of fifteen Pounds Sterling value, by any Horse Mare or Gelding, carrying eight Scots Stone, including Bridle, Saddle and Whip, at three Heats, each Heat being three Times round the usual Ground. The Horses to be booked at Hawick on Monday the 23d of July at 12 at Noon, and to pay a Guinea of Input, and a Crown to the Clerk for each Horse; the Number of Horses not under three. Any Horse that wins two Heats, and is not distanced the third carries the Plate. If three Horses win each a Heat, these three must run a fourth Heat for the Plate. No Crossing or Jostling to be allowed. Each Rider to take off his own Saddle and Bridle, and the Moment he dismounts to carry it to the Scales to be weighed, one Pound being allowed for waste. All the Horses that have run for the King's Plate are hereby excluded. Three Horses to run or no Plate, or two belonging to different Persons, they making the three Guineas allowed.

¶*¶ There is a FARM, with good and convenient Housing, and a large Malt-barn and Kiln, a little above the Town of Kirkliston, of Ten Chalder Rent; To be sette, the Entry at Martinmass next. The Factor is to be spoke with at Niddery Castle.

¶ Whereas the General Meeting of the Adventurers in the Fishing Copartnery, is to be held in the Parliament House, on Tuesday the 27th of June Instant, at three a-clock Afternoon; Therefore the Managers, in order to be able to finish their Report, have agreed to expose again the Copartnery's Lands of Peterhead and Stonehaven, to Roup in the Burrow Room on Tuesday the 20th Inst. betwixt the Hours of three and four Afternoon.

‖§‖ The Lands of GOGAR, lying in the Shire of Clackmannan and Parish of Alloa, are design'd to be sold by a voluntar Roup, on FRIDAY the last Day of June current. There is a well-contriv'd House, having 16 Fire-rooms, Closets, &c. incluided, with a large Stable, Granary and other Office-houses, commodiously situate from the House, as the Gardens, and all the Places of Inclosures and Planting are; with a Dovecoat, a Parterre well furnished with Variety of Ever-greens; From which lies a Belvedere of Beech and all other barren Planting, with Vistoes terminating on some of the finest Seats on the River of Forth, such as Kennet, Clackmannan, Airth, Elphingston, Torwoodhead and Alloa. The Ground lies almost in the Form of a Semicircle, all arable or planted, to the Extent of 277 Acres, (the House standing near the Centre,) a good deal of it already inclosed, and the Whole may be so at a very easy Expence, there being one of the best Free-stone Quarreys in all the Country, on the East part, which wants chiefly to be brought in. There is Clay to be had in several Places whereof good Brick has been already made, and the Clay at hand to be burnt for Manure: Also Limestone to be had from Alloa very cheap. The Ground is almost surrounded with Coal-works, within less than half a Mile, or a Mile of it. The Land has been for a great many Years neglected, by occasional Incumbrances, and chiefly for want of Money to lay out on it; which may be done to evident Advantage, and the present Value doubled, by due Industry. Further Information about this Affair, may be had from M. *James Macewan*, Bookseller over-against the Cross, or from Mr. *William Veitch*, at his Writing-chamber in Edinburgh.